

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: MECHANICAL COMPONENT AND METHOD OF FABRICATING THE SAME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the application, please amend the above-identified application as shown on the following pages.